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By Jessica Gallart

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What a dilemma!



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What would you do? That's what we want to know. Here is our dilemma of the week: Chicago saw three lottery winners over the weekend, with two people winning \$200,000 each from the Powerball. **So, if you won that kind of money, what would you do with it?** Text "win" followed by the number of your choice to **87708**. We'll text you back letting you know how everyone voted.

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Oprah Winfrey takes the stage with guests from the first of two "Surprise Oprah! A Farewell Spectacular" episodes filmed Tuesday at the United Center. Tom Hanks, Beyoncé, Madonna, Halle Berry, Katie Holmes and Tom Cruise were among the celebs involved in the event. **MICHAEL TERCHA/TRIBUNE**

OPRAH & OUT

WHO WAS AT WINFREY'S FAREWELL FLING? MORE LIKE WHICH FAMOUS FACE WASN'T

Chicago Tribune

You get Beyoncé! And you get Madonna! And all of you get Tom Hanks!

In the house that Michael Jordan built, another international superstar whose fame was bred in Chicago said farewell to fans Tuesday night and they to her.

Oprah Winfrey did so with more than a little help from the bold-face friends she has accumulated over the years, fellow members of the fame club whose every deferential gesture, every metaphorical hat-tip to Winfrey, was greeted with howls of approval in the United Center.

With two shows taping to air next week in "The Oprah Winfrey Show's" third- and second-to-last spots, the night was a virtual blur of applause, appreciation and one megastar after another.

There were orchestrated sing-alongs and re-takes. There was Kleenex available every few seats. There were very short lines at the men's rooms. And there were:

Tom Hanks in full, folksy Hanksiness. A Josh Groban-Patti LaBelle duet, each note bigger than the last. Beyoncé dispensing fake diplomas to her dancers before chant-singing about girls running the world. Madonna, not singing. John Legend, appearing on video, going so far as to wear a red sweater for his Target-sponsored appearance.

And M.J. himself.

"You've inspired me," Jordan told Winfrey, offering to get her a job, should she need it.

"She is a self-made woman who has been at the top of her game for 25 years. And she is still kicking ass," Madonna said, describing Winfrey as the only living female hero she has.

"You don't have children of your own, but you have mothered millions," Jada Pinkett Smith said.

But interspersed with these and many other routine limousine users were the regular folks and "ultimate viewers" Winfrey said her show has really been about: a female talk-show host from Afghanistan inspired by Winfrey. A teen-

THE GRAND FINALE

The last original episode of the most successful daytime talk show in history airs May 25. Its topic and format still are mysteries. Repeats will show through the summer, then Winfrey starts a new kind of show on her OWN cable network in the fall.

age girl who said Winfrey gave her the strength to know the abuse she suffered was not her fault. "Debbie from Illinois," inspired to foster-mother 29 kids.

"I feel the love, and I thank you for ... this celebration of what you have done for 'The Oprah Winfrey Show,'" Winfrey told the crowd at one point.

Most of the 13,000 filling all available seats had won free tickets through a lottery at **oprah.com**. While "surprise" celebrity guests were promised—surprises even to Winfrey, her staff said—most in the crowd said that part was secondary.

"I really just want to say thanks to Oprah," said Haley Underwood, a Chicago teacher trying to score a ticket outside the venue. "There are so many people here thinking they'll get something, but this is really about thanking her."

PARTY PEOPLE

Who was at the big show? Here are *some* of the famous faces who were onstage. **TRIBUNE**

Tom Hanks: Said the night was about showing love for Oprah

Tom Cruise: Recalled his first visit to Oprah's show

Josh Groban: Sang "Over the Rainbow"

Patti LaBelle: Joined in on "Rainbow"—and took it over

Madonna: Introduced by Hanks as a "hard-working mother of four"

Beyoncé: Sang new single "Run the World (Girls)"

Will and Jada Smith: Took over MC duties

Michael Jordan: Said he and Oprah arrived in Chicago at the same time

Jamie Foxx and Stevie Wonder: Performed "Isn't She Lovely"

Maria Shriver: Made no mention of the you-know-whovernator

Gayle King: Bestie gave a heartfelt speech

Kristin Chenoweth: Made Winfrey cry during a performance with students from Morehouse College

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That porn star looks familiar

Would you care if a picture of you were nabbed from your Facebook profile and posted on another website? What if that photo ended up on a gay hookup website? And what if, on that gay hookup site, users were being asked to rate your hotness against three other good-looking males? That's the scenario my friend Chris found himself in recently.

It all started one cold and rainy May morning when Chris got a message from a friend: There was a photo of Chris in a "Hot Gym Hunks" poll on a gay porn site. Chris' friend had voted for him before alerting him—as any true friend would, of course.

Not one to submit a photo of himself to a porn site and forget all about it, Chris quickly checked the link. He was relieved to see the photo wasn't some X-rated image that was covertly shot in the shower. In fact, the pic was straight off his Facebook wall and could be rated G for general gayness. In the photo, Chris is straddling a bench while wearing workout shorts and a tank top, his guns blazing and his smile giving the camera a sexy but masculine "come hither" look.

It's a nice photo, and I'm not the only one who thinks so—Chris was holding strong in second place.

Outraged that his photo had turned up on a porn site without his permission but also flattered by the support from his anonymous admirers, Chris did what I think any rational human being would do: He texted the link to several friends, saying, "I can't believe my photo is on this site! ... and please vote for me."

A professional who has a career to worry about, Chris also did the responsible thing and contacted the website, which told him it had "borrowed" the photo from another site, which had gotten the photo from who-knows-where.

When I asked Chris if he was going to demand the photo be taken down, he replied, "Well, I *am* in second place."

Hey, a guy's gotta have his priorities.

This is a lesson we all learned long ago, but when you put photos of yourself on the Interwebs, you never can assume they're safe. You would just think it's the photo of you throwing up in a trash can outside Sluggers while your "bros" moon you that is going to haunt you, not an innocent picture of you fully clothed and stone cold sober.

Ultimately, Chris decided not to demand that his photo be taken down. He even noted that if he were to win, he'd add the accomplishment to his resume.

So how does this story end? When the polls closed, Chris finished second behind a shirtless muscle-twink with shaggy hair. So I guess the moral is that if your photo ends up in a gay porn site beauty contest without your permission, try not to be matched up against a Justin Bieber clone with a six-pack.

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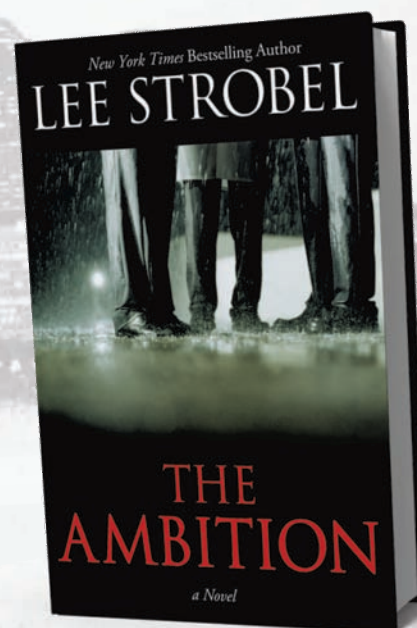
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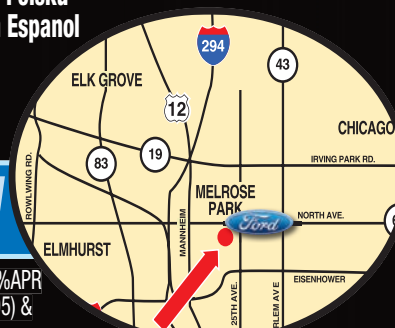
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With the Chicago skyline as a backdrop, the terrace at the Art Institute is a popular spot for weddings and special events. But a recent installation (inset) is blocking some of the view—and upsetting many brides-to-be. TRIBUNE FILE (ABOVE); JOSÉ M. OSORIO/TRIBUNE (INSET)

Wedded diss?

New installation at Art Institute causing a stir for brides-to-be

Chicago Tribune

Gabrielle Berger envisioned Millennium Park's lush gardens and the city's soaring skyline as the backdrop for her June wedding when she booked the outdoor terrace of the Art Institute's Modern Wing almost a year ago.

But art, of all things, has gotten in the way of the stunning views sought by Berger and other brides, who have been told that the glass panels surrounding the terrace will be obstructed by a temporary art installation this summer.

"A riot of color and play," is the museum's description of "Restless Rainbow," the collection of vinyl strips designed by artist Pae White for the terrace.

An "acid-trip funhouse" is Berger's take. "I knew what risks we were taking in booking the space," said Berger, who thought the stark white walls of the Modern Wing would fit her wishes for a "mini-

malist" wedding. "But what they've selected to display in the space during wedding season is absurd."

The unhappiness of brides such as Berger highlights the fine line modern-day museums sometimes walk between art and commerce. The Art Institute has 37 non-corporate events, including weddings and rehearsal dinners, lined up for the terrace during the nearly four-months the installation will be in place.

White is an internationally known contemporary artist, and once her plans for the terrace were finalized in mid-April the Art Institute informed everyone who had booked weddings and other events.

But advance notice didn't do much to soothe the anxieties of couples who paid handsomely to secure one of the city's most prestigious venues.

Renting the terrace costs \$5,000, while the tab is \$10,000 for the entire third

floor including the Terzo Piano restaurant, Art Institute spokeswoman Erin Hogan said. Hogan said wedding parties have "expressed their concerns" over how "Restless Rainbow" will affect their celebrations and is looking for ways to address them.

"At the same time," Hogan said, "we are an art museum committed to bringing contemporary art—and art of all periods and places—to our visitors."

Bride-to-be Anna Gonis, 31, enlisted about 10 other couples to file a formal complaint to the Art Institute. Gonis has reserved the terrace for her wedding's cocktail hour June 25 but is considering a change.

"This isn't against the artist themselves; it is an amazing opportunity for them" Gonis said. "But in fairness, the institute needs to keep in mind the other individuals who have contracted the space."

Is that you again, @MayorEmanuel?

By Georgla Garvey

REDEYE

In honor of Mayor Emanuel's inauguration, is **@MayorEmanuel** back?

The fake Twitter feed, written by Columbia College professor Dan Sinker, became wildly popular during the election for its profane and witty narrative with a cast of characters, including a duck named Quaxelrod, Intern Carl and Hambone the puppy—and of course the fictional Emanuel.

But **@Mayor Emanuel** stopped tweeting after the election, with the mayor character apparently being sucked into another dimension.

In the past few days, however, a few select tweets seem to have gone out, though they've quickly been deleted from the **@MayorEmanuel** feed. But they've been retweeted multiple times—preserving them in followers' feeds—and have been captured in smartphone apps as well.

The tweets are in binary code and backward. One, translated from binary code, reads, "Carl, are u there?" and others, on Tuesday, were "something's wrong" and "with [bleeping] time."

Perhaps the fake Rahm will make his way back from the alternate universe just in time to promote the **@MayorEmanuel** book. Called "The F***ing Epic Twitter Quest of @MayorEmanuel," it's available for pre-order on Amazon's website, due for release in September.

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THE QUOTE

"It's a poetry slam. Who gives a crap?"

—Jon Stewart on Monday's "The O'Reilly Factor," taking host Bill O'Reilly to task for criticizing the White House for inviting Chicago rapper Common to a poetry reading.



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United getting O'Hare face-lift

Chicago Tribune

The tulip is an endangered species at O'Hare.

Thousands of Saul Bass-designed "U" logos that have dotted United Airlines' monitors, counters, signs and boarding passes are disappearing as part of a massive makeover and rebranding effort the carrier is launching in Chicago on Wednesday, dubbed Customer Day One.

In their place will be a stylized version of Continental Airlines' brand. This giant globe logo will become the defining emblem of the new carrier created by last year's merger of United and Continental and a symbol of the direction it will take.

The rebranding is one of the first public steps in a process that will end about a year from now if all goes as planned, with the two carriers melding into a single airline called United.

But it's not the cosmetic changes that will define the new United.

Longtime fliers are closely watching the service tweaks that United and Continental are starting to roll out: a new boarding process, integrated check-in kiosks, frequent-flier perks and an onboard snack menu. United also is testing airport staffing models to figure out how best to handle crushes of departing flights.

Tribute to dead cyclists

Ride of Silence, an event to honor people who have been killed or injured while biking on public roads, will make a 12-mile ride through Chicago on Wednesday. Visit rideofsilence.org/chicago for details.

21 injured in bus collision

A Chicago bus driver taking students to a field trip at Northwestern University told police he was distracted before colliding with another bus from the school in front of him, sending 20 students and an adult to hospitals.

Family sues driver in crash

The family of a woman who was struck and killed by a tour bus in Streeterville earlier this month has filed a wrongful death lawsuit against the bus company, arguing it should not have hired the driver.

Man shot by police

A man was wounded by Chicago police Tuesday morning after he pointed a gun at officers in Englewood on the South Side, officials said.

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Taking on the Ike



TRIBUNE FILE

Congestion merely the start of its issues

Chicago Tribune

Last year's resurfacing of the Eisenhower Expressway improved the aging pavement, but there's no easy fix for the highway's obsolete design, which contributes to traffic backups and accidents, experts say.

As a result, state highway design engineers are working on long-term solutions, focusing on 170 ideas generated mostly by the public to reduce gridlock and crashes on the Eisenhower (Interstate 290).

The analysis also seeks to improve travel options for mass-transit riders and bicyclists and pedestrians who use nearby arterial streets that are clogged with traffic and often dangerous.

The various concepts under review will be presented at a public meeting Wednesday conducted by the Illinois Department of Transportation. Public feedback is invited.

For regular drivers of the Eisenhower, remedies cannot come soon enough. Severe traffic congestion for up to 17 hours a day and more than 6,000 crashes over a three-year period put the Eisenhower in a class of its own.

The possible solutions being examined include widening the Eisenhower to four lanes in each direction for the entire length of the highway. The expansion would make room for "managed lanes" handling car-poolers, express buses or drivers willing to pay tolls to commute more quickly during rush hours, according to IDOT planners.

But so far, money is available only for the ongoing review of ideas. "Part of our analysis is to examine the financing options," said Pete Harmet, IDOT bureau chief of programming for the Chicago region. "We are a ways away from construction."

New Blago defense: Others play the game

Chicago Tribune

As governor, Rod Blagojevich liked to portray himself as a cut above other politicians when it came to ethics, once famously accusing legislators of being eager to cater to high-powered lobbyists who "eat fancy steaks" and "shuffle in Gucci loafers."

But that stance for Blagojevich underscores a paradox in his defense. He stands accused of trying to swap official action for campaign cash, and his lawyers now are try-

ing to argue that his conduct was nothing out of the ordinary for a politician.

Blagojevich's lawyer, Aaron Goldstein, previewed the pitch Tuesday during a hearing—held away from the jury—as he referred to testimony from a trio of witnesses who allege Blagojevich tried to put the squeeze on them for campaign cash in 2008.

All three, Goldstein said, have a history of raising cash for other political figures

with the power to dispense favors. But now they were claiming to have had reservations about Blagojevich, Goldstein said sarcastically.

"They are saying, 'I felt pressure,'" Goldstein said. "... Yet these are the same people who play the game."

Blagojevich was simply practicing politics as usual, the defense argued, and claims of victimhood are not credible from witnesses steeped in the art of horse-trading.



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Queen visits Ireland

1 Queen Elizabeth (above) honored Irish people killed fighting for independence from Britain on Tuesday in a powerful gesture of reconciliation few people would have believed possible even in recent times.

Obama: Revive peace talks

2 President Obama said Tuesday it was "more vital than ever" to seek to revive long-stalled Israeli-Palestinian peacemaking, even as political upheaval convulses much of the broader Middle East.

Starbucks dwarf lawsuit

3 The U.S. government is suing Starbucks for firing a barista in El Paso, Texas, because she is a dwarf and asked for a stool or small stepladder to perform her job, according to the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission.

Relaxation brownie ban

4 Two towns in Massachusetts are moving to ban sales of a "relaxation" brownie named Lazy Cakes, laced with melatonin and sold in food markets, after children who ate them required hospitalization.

Beauty queen steps down

5 A Wisconsin state beauty queen has relinquished her title just weeks before she was to vie for the national crown after prosecutors filed felony identity theft charges against her.

Facebook users, unite

A new analysis indicates that more mobile Facebook users are posting by using the mobile site **m.facebook.com** than all of Facebook's smartphone and tablet apps combined.

Schwarzenegger shocker

6 **LOS ANGELES** Maria Shriver and her children are "circling the wagons and are working through" the family crisis brought on by the revelation that Arnold Schwarzenegger fathered a child more than 10 years ago outside his marriage, a source close to Shriver said Tuesday.

The former California governor is "way on the outside of the circle" and "rambling around" their huge house with none of his family around, said the source, who asked not to be identified because of the sensitivity of the matter.

The revelation, published first by the Los Angeles Times, came about a week after Schwarzenegger and his wife of 25 years announced they were "amicably separating."

"After leaving the governor's office I told my wife about this event, which occurred over a decade ago," Schwarzenegger said in a statement. "I understand and deserve the feelings of anger and disappointment among my friends and family. There are no excuses and I take full responsibility for the hurt I have caused. I have apologized to Maria, my children and my family. I am

truly sorry."

Schwarzenegger fathered the child with a household staffer, the Times article said. He has provided support for the child since birth, the source said.

The staffer told the newspaper that the child was fathered by her then-husband. She declined to comment after learning of Schwarzenegger's statement, the newspaper reported.

The newspaper quoted her as saying she recently retired "on good terms" with the couple after working for them for 20 years.



Revolution in motion

7 A supporter of the revolution against Libyan leader Moammar Gadhafi walks home this week from the revolution square in Benghazi. **GETTY IMAGES**

Marathon champion's death under investigation

8 Kenyan officials say a legal investigation has been launched to determine what caused the death of Olympic and Chicago marathon champion Samuel Wanjiru, who died after a fall from his bedroom balcony Sunday.

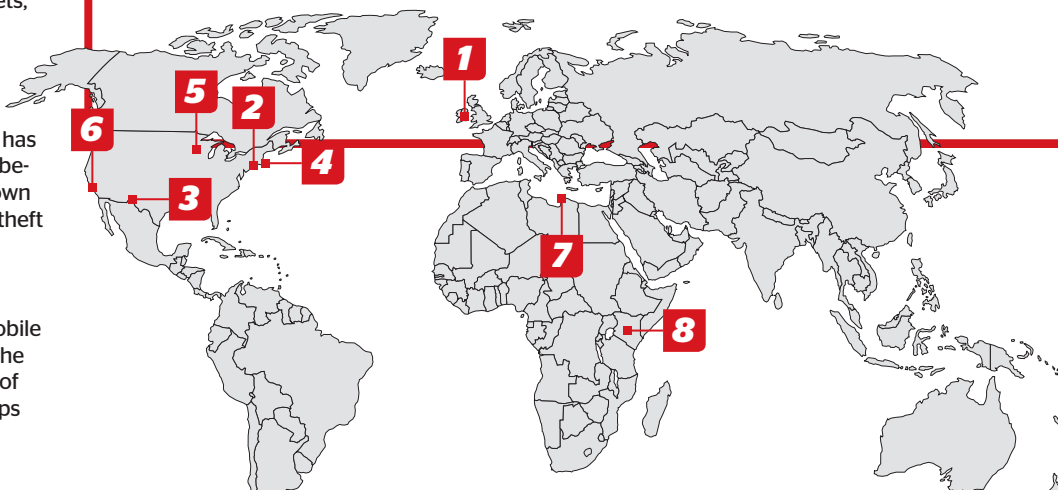
Wanjiru is a two-time winner of the Chicago Marathon.

Police spokesman Charles Owino told The Associated Press on Tuesday that the inquest will explore whether Wanjiru deliberately jumped, whether he was pushed or if he intended to commit suicide.

An inquest is a process of establishing the cause of death where it is uncertain or suspicious. Owino said a magistrate will review the evidence and rule on the cause of death.



Wanjiru



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By Bag Boy

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Icon.

That's what Benny the Bull is. Named for Ben Bentley, the Bulls' first public relations head honcho and legendary Chicago sports figure, Benny has been entertaining crowds for 40 years.

It goes deeper than that, though. You can't have longevity without passion and dedication. I sat down with Benny recently to talk Bulls past and present, and what a mascot does in his spare time.

Hey, the guy does beautiful work night in and night out, yet no one in this town really knows who he is. I think I know how he feels.

Who's your favorite Bull?

That's an easy one. Omer Asik. He's hilarious and plays a beautiful mandolin.

I once heard Stacey King refer to Kurt Thomas as "Big Sexy." Don't you think that nickname should be reserved for you? Well, he's literally 5 feet taller than me so I'll just settle for "Medium Sexy."

Speaking of Stacey King, he got any hot sauce for you?

Does Febreeze count?

What's the toughest part of transitioning from the college game to the pros—from a mascot standpoint, of course?

I could get away with a lot more in college. One time I got kicked out of another team's arena on the road for various mischievous things I shouldn't have been doing. Our athletic director gave me a high five and said, "Now that's how you mascot!"

Wow. 40 years of doing this. Since 1969, man. You're like The Rolling Stones of mascots. How's it feel?

Well, actually I'm the fifth-generation Benny to work the family business, so I'm actually only seven years in. I'm more like the Jonas Brothers than The Rolling Stones. Sadly.

Not many people know this, but you're named after Ben Bentley. Aren't you glad they don't call you "Bentley The Bull"?

Yeah because then I'd have to wear ascots and pocket squares all the time. I'd get beat up a lot.

Your bits include the famous spill-the-popcorn-on-the-fans move. Anyone gotten angry and challenged you to a bullfight after that?

If by bullfight you mean lawsuit, then yes. And I was like, "Mom! Relax, it's just popcorn!"

Who's your mascot inspiration?

My grandmother. Long story.

What's the worst mascot injury you've suffered?

Actually, my tail has been ripped off my rump three times in the last seven years. Luckily it grows right back. Hooray for genetics!

Can you teach Keith Bogans your backward half-court shot?

I don't want the competition, and he doesn't need the embarrassment. Actually, why doesn't he just ask Oprah? She's the one who taught me.

I'm told you also moonlight for the Billings (Mont.) Outlaws of the Indoor Football League. Different kind of crowd in Montana?

They flew me out a couple of times to perform several years ago. I love performing in Montana because it's just absolute bedlam. If there are actual rules as to what I can and cannot do during a sporting event out there, no one has ever told me about them. Weeee! Chaos!

Another fun fact, you're one of only three mascots from the NBA in a video game. Dude, you've arrived!

Is there a question in there somewhere? I'm confused, Bag Boy. It feels like now you're just making statements. Do you need me for the rest of this interview?

The great Chicago punk rocker Wesley Willis did a song called "Benny The Bull." Tears every time for me. You?

Seems like crying would be dangerous for you, no? I'm actually not familiar with this song you're speaking of, but if it's anything like "Your Body is a Wonderland" by John Mayer, then yes, I'd probably be very emotional.

Finally, for the kids, you do a ton of work with schools, promoting literacy and education. Thank you, and where does a Bull learn how to read?

You're thanking me for promoting literacy and the importance of education? A man who wears a brown paper bag on his head? I love America.

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FULL O'BULL

A ROUNDUP OF PLAYOFF NEWS AND NOTES

SOUNDS LIKE A HIT

The Bulls already have made a winning move for Game 2 of the playoffs: Jim Cornelison will sing the national anthem before all remaining games at the United Center. "I'm very excited to sing the anthem for the rest of the Bulls playoff run," Cornelison said. "It is always a thrill to hear the fans erupt at other Chicago sporting events in the tradition we have at the Chicago Blackhawks [games]. I'm honored to be asked and can't wait to see another championship trophy come to Chicago this year." Well said, Jim, well said.



Cornelison

DUNK YOU VERY MUCH

Taj Gibson's dunk over Miami's Dwyane Wade was all the talk after Game 1, but not for the Bulls' second-year player. "I turned my phone off," Gibson said. "I just want to move on. One thing about this league is you can't feel good about yourself because you'll get knocked back on your heels." Wade knows something about being knocked back on his heels.



QUOTABULL

We tried to get him to sing 'Happy Birthday' the other day to Keith [Bogans], and he said he didn't know it in English. He said they don't do it in Turkey. I know he's lying."

—Luol Deng on trying to get Omer Asik to partake in rookie hazing rituals.

SERIES SCHEDULE

- » Game 2: Bulls vs. Miami, 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, TNT
- » Game 3: Bulls at Miami, 7:30 p.m. Sunday, TNT
- » Game 4: Bulls at Miami, 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, TNT
- » Game 5: Bulls vs. Miami, 7:30 p.m. May 26, TNT*
- » Game 6: Bulls at Miami, 7:30 p.m. May 28, TNT*
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1 What kind of mood will LeBron and the Heat be in at game time Wednesday?

The way they celebrate minor accomplishments, they'll probably just be happy to make it to the UC on time.

Oh man, they actually shot a movie already about their feelings toward Wednesday. It's called "The Crying Game."

The opposite of the finalists on "The Bachelorette": no one wants a Rose.

Trembling at the thought of Jim Cornelson singing the national anthem again.

Not good after combining for 33 points—11 in the second half—Sunday. Expect an All-Star effort from both.

2 How will Dwyane Wade get his revenge on Taj Gibson for dunking on him?

He's smart, he won't let it happen again. Next time, he'll use LeBron as a human shield.

Better question, is he going to get royalties from that poster he's going to be on now?

He actually believes revenge is the bench's responsibility.

Instant replay, amazing jump over D-Wade, Taj slams it in, crowd goes ... oh, I'm back. Yeah, hard to top that.

Have Taj kidnapped from his house on his way to the United Center on Wednesday night.

3 Bulls fans made a "Human Heat-ipedede" sign. What would yours say?

"Our big one is better than your big three."

"(Insert Heat Player's name here), your mom took her talents down to my South Beach!"

"LeBron: If you can't stand the Heat get out of the Bulls' kitchen!"

#beattheheat

"Taj Gibson loves to BBQ but he needs to borrow D-Wade's grill after that sick dunk Sunday night."

4 What's the danger in a streak of 10 straight Cubs night games?

Sleeping through every last one of them. Wait, that's not a danger ...

You mean other than my sanity?

Sunlight deprivation could intensify the effects of depression associated with losing.

No one will be in attendance cause it's still winter here.

Hopefully not having to miss any of the Bulls games during their championship series against Dallas or OKC.

5 Tiger Woods is eyeing a return to the U.S. Open in June. Will he ever win again?

He has Tiger blood, so you'd think so, but the sheen has worn off, I'm afraid.

Bet your ass he will. And then he'll hit the Dougie in Phil Mickelson's face.

Well "Eye of the Tiger" worked for Sylvester Stallone in "Rocky III," so anything is possible.

Not likely—he messed up his whole mind-set and game.

Yes, he will win again, but he has to stop listening to Charles Barkley giving him lessons on his swing.

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Taj of all trades

Gibson excels in his Bulls role(s)

As the Bulls pushed around their wheelbarrow full of salary-cap cash in July, Taj Gibson sat at home and recovered from the shock wave therapy he had to address plantar fasciitis in both feet.

Gibson had just finished a rookie season in which he played through pain to appear in all 82 games, starting 70 times and earning first-team All-Rookie status with averages of 8.9 points, 7.4 rebounds and 1.3 blocks. Beyond numbers, his defensive savvy belied his first-year status.

Some might pout as management whispered sweet nothings in the ears of Chris Bosh, Carlos Boozer and David Lee. Instead, Gibson opened his arms as the Bulls opened their checkbook and eventually signed Boozer to a five-year, \$75 million deal.

"It didn't bother me at all," Gibson said. "I'm a team player. And I'm a winner first. A lot of guys come into this league and aren't born winners. I like to compete and help my team."

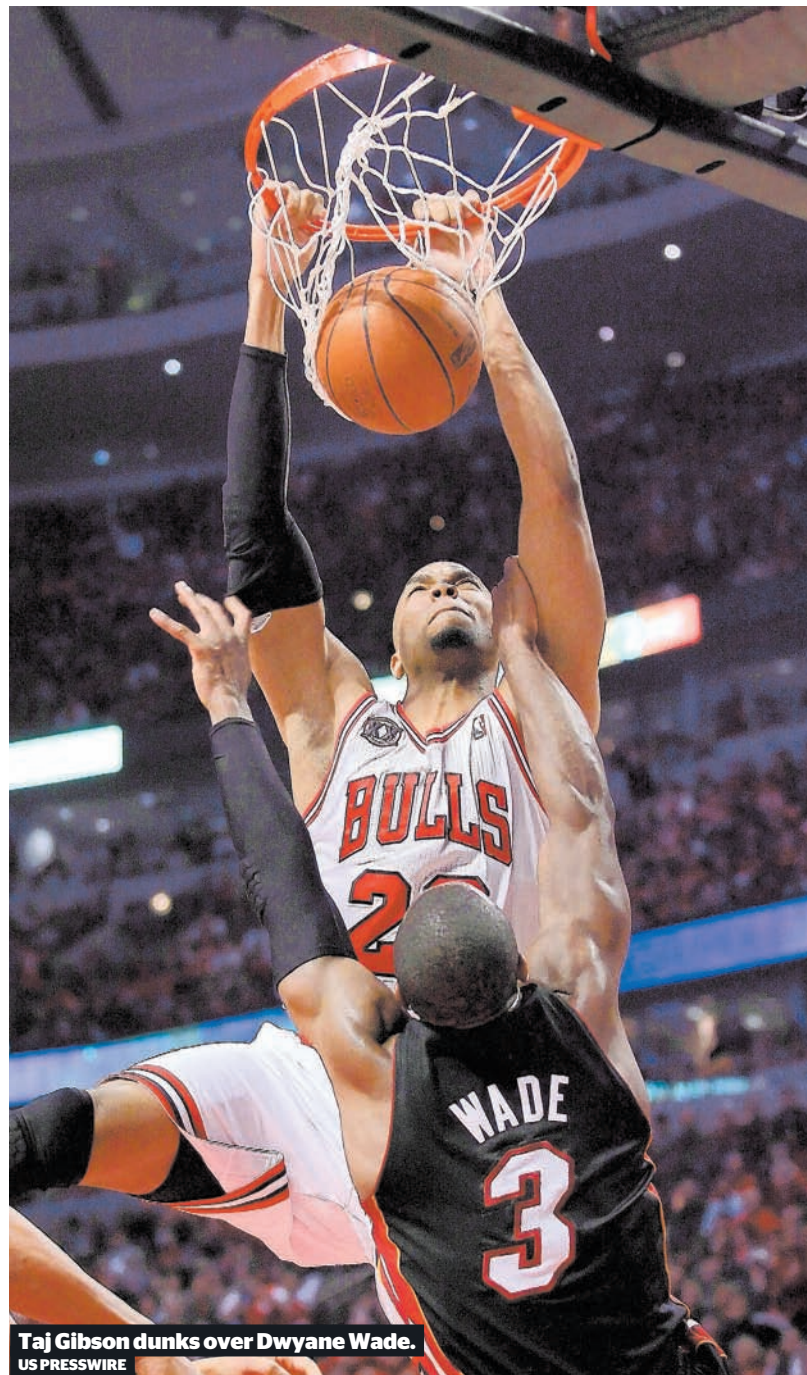
"When it happened, I welcomed Boozer with open arms. I didn't shy away from it. We hung out. We talked all the time. He's one of the main guys I talk to and he cherishes me more than anybody on the team when I do something good. So it worked out well."

Indeed, Gibson's embracing of his role—whatever it is—has helped the Bulls possess one of the deepest big-man rotations in the league.

When Boozer tripped over a gym bag and fractured the fifth metacarpal in his right hand at the start of training camp, Gibson started 14 of the first 15 games and averaged 11.3 points and 6.9 rebounds on 51.1 percent shooting.

HEAT 'NOT AN EASY COVER'

Much of the talk during these Eastern Conference finals has focused on the Heat as an isolation team. And while their reliance on stars LeBron James, Dwyane Wade and Chris Bosh is real, coach Tom Thibodeau thinks the perception of them as one-on-one players is not. "Sometimes your best ball movement comes off isolation," Thibodeau said. "You have to commit two defenders to the player and once the ball moves you're getting wide-open shots or easier shots. James and Wade and Bosh are very unselfish. When that second defender comes, they're moving the ball. It's not an easy cover."



Taj Gibson dunks over Dwyane Wade.
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» Nery Castillo is not returning to Chicago; Fire technical director Frank Klopas told **mlssoccer.com** on Tuesday that the club will not pick up his option. Castillo had signed a "designated player" contract with the Fire in July and was loaned to Greek club Aris FC during the offseason.

» An MRI exam on Andrew Cashner's shoulder Tuesday showed he re-aggravated the muscle strain. He will be shut down for at least a few weeks to let the inflammation go down.

» Cincinnati 7, Cubs 5 » White Sox 4, Texas 3 » Minnesota Twins legend Harmon Killebrew dies at 74.

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By Emily Van Zandt

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This week: Is it OK to eat a burger for breakfast?

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YES

Let's get one thing straight: Burgers—veggie, turkey, beef, what have you—are one of the greatest gifts produced by mankind. Not only are they terribly difficult to mess up,

but they always seem to hit the spot right when you need them to. (See: When you're so hung over you can feel your hair growing. Ouch.) If it's on the menu, they obviously want you to order it, right? If it's acceptable to eat biscuits and gravy or waffles for dinner, then nobody should bat an eyelash at wolfing down some pure fatty protein before noon, when it would do you the most good anyway. —JESSICA GALLIART



NO

There are plenty of times when I go out to brunch and spot a burger on the menu. My deepest apologies to the burger gods, but I'm never going to order it. Burgers get

plenty of play during the lunch, dinner and late-night hours. Why should they step on the toes of the lovely pancakes and omelets that are meant to be the center of attention during a.m. meals? Despite how much I love a juicy patty in between bread, I could not, would not eat one for breakfast. —LISA ARNETT

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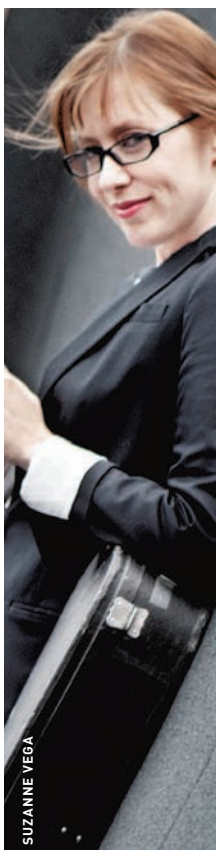


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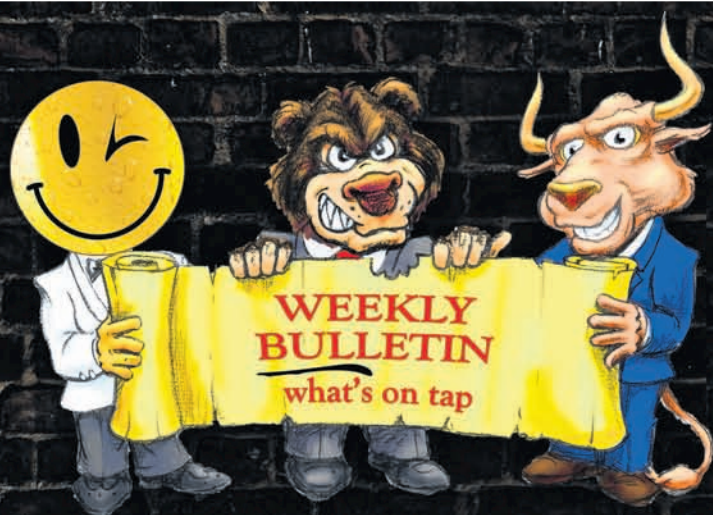


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Ben Gibbard (second from left) and Death Cab for Cutie

DEATH CAB FOR CUTIE'S BEN GIBBARD FINALLY ACCEPTS HIS MUSICAL SUCCESS

By Andy Hermann

You might think Ben Gibbard has it made. He's married to singer/actress/professional cutie-pie Zooey Deschanel. His band, Death Cab for Cutie, has a No. 1 album to its credit (2008's "Narrow Stairs") and, very likely, another one on the way with this year's highly anticipated "Codes and Keys." His days as an indie-rock underdog are over, right?

Not according to Gibbard, who uses phrases such as "knock on wood" and "waiting with bated breath for the other shoe to drop" when discussing Death Cab's success. "Honestly, I think if tomorrow I had to go out and get a real job, it would be a little bit bittersweet," he said, "but I would realize, 'Well, I always kind of thought I would get to this point.'"

Gibbard's ever-present underdog mentality might be one of the secrets to Death Cab's enduring popularity. Even when they break out the elaborately choreographed showgirls and light-up suits—as they did in their video for "You Are a Tourist," which was filmed in a single take and broadcast live on the Web as it was shot—Gibbard and his bandmates never come across as rock stars. They're still more or less the same scrappy Pacific Northwestern group that built its reputation on wistful yet anthemic songs like "I Was a Kaleidoscope" and "Transatlanticism," the title track to Death Cab's 2003 breakthrough album.

But hey, about those showgirls ...

Have you gotten a sense of the fan response to the live video for "You Are a Tourist"? Were people surprised to see dancing girls in a Death Cab video?

I haven't heard anything negative about it. Honestly, at this point, my connection to our fan base exists more in my Twitter account

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NEW RELEASES



Company of Thieves

"Running From a Gamble"

(Wind-Up Records)

At times on local pop-rock quartet Company of Thieves'



likable-enough 2009 debut, "Ordinary Riches," I wanted to yell, "This is nice and all, but how about some more oomph?" Well, the oomph has arrived.

"Running From a Gamble" is a major step up in urgency and power, like "Batman Begins" growing up into "The Dark Knight." Throughout the record frontwoman Genevieve Schatz's voice is alternately explosive and reflective—commanding in her album-length story of a young girl, Karen, facing the world on her own. Schatz details a creepy casting-couch situation in the catchy, haunting "Modern Waste" ("Making a movie, isn't that what you want?" she asks), while later, as "Never Come Back" smolders, it's easy to imagine someone in their 20s losing their way but determined to press on.

The somewhat aimless, grimy "Gorgeous/Grotesque" and "Syrup" lack the rest of the record's immediacy. Yet it's impossible not to feel invigorated by the closing trio of sassy, horn-soaked "Tallulah," empowering "Won't Go Quietly" and legitimate epiphany "After Thought," where Schatz declares, "I am not my problems, I am not my money's worth/where I went to school, order of my birth." For adults searching for their place in the world, that kind of learned stability is nothing short of life-changing.

In concert: June 26 at Ravinia —MATT PAIS



than anything else. I'm far too old to be Googling myself and checking message boards to see if people like the new song or the new video or whatever else. That's one of the nice things about Twitter—it tends to be mostly people who just want to say nice things.

With the success of "Narrow Stairs," you were out on the road for nearly two years, right?

Not really. We started touring in May of 2008 and we played our last show of that tour in July of 2009. So it was a good 15 months. That's a pretty typical cycle for us, but that doesn't necessarily mean we are on the road every day between those two dates. If we wanted to fill every date, we could, but I think we're all at a point in our lives where we want to do the work and we want to be a band, but there are things that are of greater importance in life than four guys onstage playing rock music.

Well, you and Nick are both married now—so I would think that would change your priorities a bit in terms of balancing the band with your personal lives.

Yeah, and Jason, our drummer, has two kids. So yeah—it's strange to say it, but I guess it's technically true, that this is my life's work at this point. Being a musician and being a touring musician—that's how we make our living. So none of us are going to forsake the thing that we get up in the morning to do and that we love doing, because we're married or have kids. But it certainly makes you think, "Maybe we won't book a one-month tour of deep Asian

countries." You have to prioritize a little bit.

When you picked the name Death Cab for Cutie for the band, did you have any inkling you'd still be using it 15 years later?

Our loftiest goals at that time were to be a band that could sell 10,000 to 20,000 records and go out on tour. And eventually, the party would be over and you'd have to enter the workforce like everybody else. So our goals were very meager at that point. I guess at a certain point—it might have only been in the last couple years that I started to realize that, wow, this is what I do. This isn't a preamble to something else. I'm not, knock on wood, going to be going back and getting a teaching certificate at some point.

When I told people I was doing this interview, the No. 1 question everyone seemed to have was whether there will ever be another Postal Service record. Do you and Jimmy Tamborello still talk? Is there ever a chance of that project getting revived?

Yeah, sure, we're friends. The party line is, who knows? Maybe someday. But it was always meant as a side project and something that would be fun to do. And you know, we just haven't had the time. We're both very busy, and I don't think either of us felt the impetus to want to resurrect it. But that's not to say it'll never happen.

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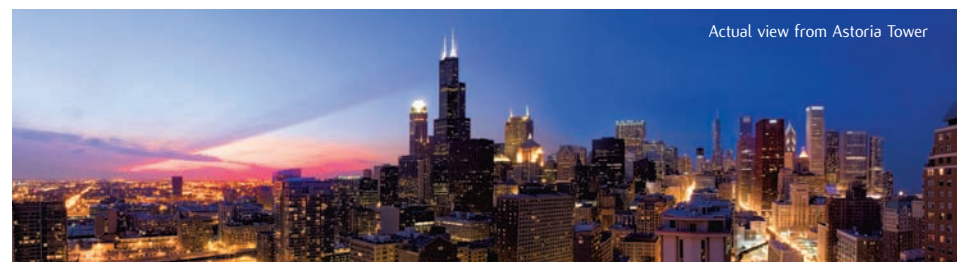
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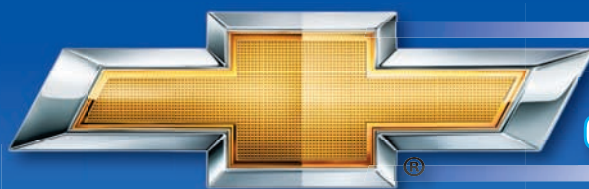
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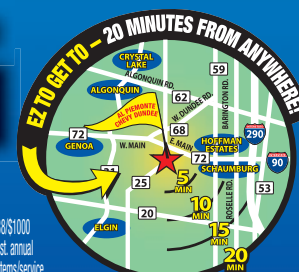
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Lady laughs

Meet the sassy comics behind bookstore's lesbian showcase

By Julia Borcherts

Bookstores aren't just for browsing anymore, and that goes double at Women & Children First, where "Sappho's Salon: A Provocative Night of Lesbian Diversions" has been bringing in the laughs monthly since 2008.

Founder-host Kathie Bergquist (author of "A Field Guide to Gay and Lesbian Chicago") created the performing arts showcase—which features lesbian-identified artists but is open to everyone—to bridge the gap between LGBT bar shows and traditional bookstore events. Although Women & Children First had featured "music nights" in the past, they hadn't quite clicked.

"I felt that if we made it a little sexier, it could work," Bergquist said. "And I didn't want to limit it to just musical acts because then you're going to run through the pool of the five 'out' lesbian musicians

in Chicago pretty fast—and then pray that some touring artist happens to be coming through."

To that end, Bergquist has hosted such diverse acts as Austin, Texas-based indie musician Gretchen Phillips, variety show troupe La Dulce Palabra and South Side spoken word and movement collective Pow Wow, who performed in holiday-themed negligees. Guests get food and wine (included with admission) before and after the show and during intermission while DJ SpinNikki plays music.

This month, Sappho's helps you get your giggles on with a stand-up showcase featuring five top-notch local lesbian comics. We caught up with them to find out what they're about—and where they get the inspirations for their jokes.

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ON STAGE

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Sissy Van Dyke

Inspired by: "The dating drama—and there's no drama quite like dyke drama. Women are enigmas, and two women together is like enigma squared: very exciting, intense and hilarious from the right point of view."

Onstage: "I convey much of my humor through comic songs. At the upcoming Sappho's Salon, I'll perform a song called 'Psycho Diva' that I will play on my guitar to the tune of 'Psycho Killer' by the Talking Heads."

Nana Rodriguez

Inspired by: "Sex and relationships. Sex is a very funny topic, especially if you have funny experiences."

Onstage: "I don't hold back. I say the things you shouldn't say—you know, the things we think but we keep to ourselves? Well, I don't ... and that gets people to laugh."



Meg O'Rourke

Inspired by: "My interactions with other people, especially those within my large and entertaining family."

Offstage: "I became an ordained online minister this summer to marry two friends and I still carry the laminated card that reads 'Reverend O'Rourke' around in my wallet, just in case I run into an independent clergy emergency and need to offer up my credentials."



Janet Kane

Inspired by: "The challenges of everyday life, friends, family and the boring office workplace."

Offstage: "Growing up with seven siblings, there was nothing to do but be funny to survive."



Tamale

Inspired by: "I find the way people process their experiences fascinating. As an interdisciplinary artist, I am constantly looking for new inspiration, and that makes for some really unique experiences. Be it something or someone I discover while fire dancing, belly dancing, performing burlesque, traveling or just something that happens in my day-to-day, my life is rich with comedic fodder."

Offstage: "I studied agricultural education in undergrad, was in both the Future Farmers of America and 4-H and was No. 1 in the state of Arizona for dairy judging in '96."



Next up

Sappho's celebrates its third anniversary with a two-act performance by folk-rocker Tret Fure, a late-'80s studio musician who has performed with Bonnie Raitt and J. Geils. "And our guest host, Kat Fitzgerald, is totally outstanding," Bergquist said. "She hosts open mics and showcases at Uncommon Ground, runs a social group for lesbians called Labyrinth and is a talented musician in her own right. And she's extremely glamorous."

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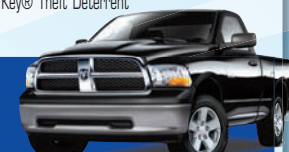
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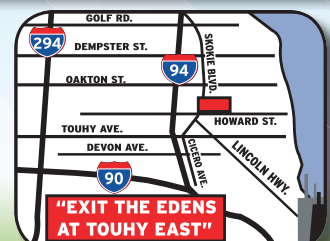
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FINDING A SUIT THAT FLATTERS

With the chilly weather, it may seem to too early to think about sun, sand and swimwear. Still, we want to arm you with some tips for when you do venture out to find the perfect suit to flatter your body type. **MCT, MCT PHOTOS**

Large bust

Wear blouson tops, halter tops with wide straps, underwire support, vertical stripes or patterns.

Small bust

Ruffles or horizontal stripes. Light colors on top and dark on the bottom. Molded bra cups or push-up bra.

Heavy hips and thighs

Try suits with a skirted bottom or shorts attached. A dark-solid suit is more slenderizing for the hips. If you buy a pattern, make it a smaller print. A higher-cut leg can create an elongated slimmer-thigh look. Wide shoulder

straps that crisscross in the back focus attention away from the lower body.

Long torso

A blouson tank tricks the eye. Buy a high-waisted bottom in a two-piece suit. A larger pattern will minimize the long look. High-cut legs make the torso look shorter.

Thick waist and stomach bulge

Many suits have tummy-control panels. Suits with gathers, pleats or shirring conceal extra weight. Buy V stripes at the waist and hips or diagonal splicing accents or dark color around the middle to create an hourglass shape.



» From Longitude swimwear, a “Robby Dots Triple Tier Tank” for \$79 is perfect for **smaller busts, longer torsos or thicker thighs**.



» From **net-a-porter.com**, a Seventh Wonderland “Reverse Marble-print Bandeau” swimsuit for \$240 might help hide a **thick waist or stomach bulge**.



» From **net-a-porter.com**, Violet Lake’s “Caruso One-Shoulder” swimsuit for \$225 is great for **longer torsos and thicker waists**.

ADDITIONAL TIPS

» **Try on a swimsuit one size larger than you usually buy.** Tight makes you look heavier. Generally you want to buy one size larger than your dress size. The straps and leg opening should not bulge out or dig in (picture a sausage casing). The bottom should not be saggy-baggy or pinchy-winchy. The torso of a one-piece should lie flat against the body with no puckering. And there should be no pulling in the crotch ... ever.

» **Mix a print with a solid** to emphasize or de-emphasize certain body parts. And always remember that diagonal lines across the bodice can do wonders.

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- **Priest 3D** (PG-13) 8:05, 10:15
- **Something Borrowed** (PG-13) 1:50, 4:20, 7:05, 9:40
- **Jumping the Broom** (PG-13) ♦ 1:40, 4:30, 7:20, 9:55
- **Thor 3D** (PG-13) 2:10, 3:45, 4:50, 6:30, 7:35, 9:15, 10:10
- **Fast Five** (PG-13) ♦ 1:15, 4:10, 7:00, 9:50
- **Source Code** (PG-13) 2:45, 5:10, 7:45, 10:05
- **Water for Elephants** (PG-13) ♦ 1:25, 4:05, 6:50, 9:35

LANDMARK CENTURY CENTRE CINEMA (LANDMARK)

2828 North Clark St., Chicago
(773) 509-4949

- **Incendies** (R) 2:15, 5:10, 8:45
- **Win Win** (R) 1:30, 4:15, 7:10, 9:45
- **Hesher** (R) 1:50, 4:35, 7:20, 9:50
- **The Double Hour** (NR) 1:40, 4:05, 7:00, 9:20
- **The Princess of Montpensier** (NR) 2:10, 5:20, 8:30
- **The Beaver** (PG-13) 2:00, 4:30, 7:15, 9:40
- **Everything Must Go** (R) 1:45, 4:40, 7:30, 10:00

CITY NORTH 14 (REGAL)

2600 N. Western Ave.
(800) 326-3264 #1642

- **Pirates of the Caribbean: On Stranger Tides** (PG-13) Advance Tickets Available
- **The Hangover Part II** (R) Advance Tickets Available
- **Kung Fu Panda 2** (PG) Advance Tickets Available
- **The Metropolitan Opera: Il Trovatore Encore** (NR) 6:30
- **Priest 3D** (PG-13) 12:30, 3:00, 5:30, 8:00, 10:30
- **Priest** (PG-13) 1:15, 3:45, 6:15, 8:45, 11:15
- **Go for It!** (PG-13) 12:00, 2:30, 5:45, 8:30, 11:10
- **Bridesmaids** (R) 12:50, 1:45, 4:00, 4:45, 7:00, 7:45, 10:00, 10:45
- **Rio 3D** (G) 12:15, 3:15, 6:30, 9:15
- **Thor** (PG-13) 11:50, 2:00, 2:45, 4:25, 5:00, 6:00, 8:20, 9:00, 10:40
- **Thor** (PG-13) 1:30, 7:30
- **Thor** (PG-13) 12:40, 3:30, 6:45, 9:45
- **Something Borrowed** (PG-13) (Open captioned) 2:15, 8:10
- **Something Borrowed** (PG-13) 5:15, 11:00
- **Jumping the Broom** (PG-13) 1:00, 4:15, 7:15, 10:15
- **Fast Five** (PG-13) 12:10, 3:10, 10:50

DAVIS THEATRE (VALUE)

4614 N. Lincoln Ave., Chicago
(773) 784-0893

- **Thor** (PG-13) ♦ 5:15, 7:40, 10:10
- **Fast Five** (PG-13) 4:40, 7:15, 10:00
- **Water for Elephants** (PG-13) 4:50, 7:20, 9:50
- **Rio** (G) 5:00, 7:10, 9:20

FORD CITY 14 (AMC)

S. Cicero at 76th., Chicago
(888) AMC-4FUN
Show times change daily

- **Bridesmaids** (R) ♦ 10:55, 1:40, 4:25, 7:15, 10:05
- **Priest** (PG-13) ♦ 11:05, 12:15, 1:30, 2:45, 3:55, 5:20, 6:30, 7:40, 9:10, 10:20
- **Go for It!** (PG-13) 11:15, 1:45, 4:10, 6:55, 9:25
- **Thor** (PG-13) 11:10, 1:55, 4:35, 7:10, 9:50
- **Something Borrowed** (PG-13) 11:40, 2:10, 5:00, 7:25, 10:10
- **Jumping the Broom** (PG-13) 11:20, 12:10, 2:15, 2:55, 4:55, 5:30, 7:35, 8:10, 10:15, 10:45
- **Thor 3D** (PG-13) ♦ 11:45, 2:25, 5:05, 7:45, 10:25
- **Fast Five** (PG-13) ♦ 10:45, 12:30, 1:50, 3:40, 4:40, 6:40, 7:30, 9:55, 10:30
- **Rio** (G) 11:35, 2:05, 4:45, 7:20, 9:40
- **Tyler Perry's Madea's Big Happy Family** (PG-13) 10:50, 1:45, 4:30, 7:15, 10:05
- **Insidious** (PG-13) 11:00, 1:35, 4:05, 6:45, 9:15

GENE SISKEL FILM CENTER

164 State Street
(312) 846-2800

- **Mia and the Migoo** (PG) 6:00, 8:15
- **The Devil's Trap** (NR) 8:30 P.M.

LOGAN THEATRE

2646 N. Milwaukee Ave., Chicago
(773) 252-0628

- **Diary of a Wimpy Kid: Rodrick Rules** (PG) 1:00, 3:00, 5:00, 7:00, 9:00
- **No Eres Tú, Soy Yo** (PG-13) 1:30, 3:30, 5:30, 7:30, 9:30
- **Hanna** (PG-13) 1:20, 3:30, 5:40, 7:50, 10:00
- **Hop** (PG) 1:40, 3:40, 5:50
- **Source Code** (PG-13) 7:40, 9:40

MUSIC BOX

3733 N. Southport, Chicago
(773) 871-6604

- **Meek's Cutoff** (PG) 5:00, 7:20, 9:40
- **Queen to Play** (NR) 5:15, 7:30, 9:45

PIPERS ALLEY (AMC)

1608 N. Wells, Chicago
(888) AMC-4FUN
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- **AMC Independent Potiche** (R) 4:45, 7:25
- **AMC Independent I Am** (NR) 5:10, 7:45
- **AMC Independent Jane Eyre** (PG-13) 4:30, 7:10
- **AMC Independent Cedar Rapids** (R) 5:00, 7:35

RIVER EAST 21 (AMC)

322 E. Illinois Street, Chicago
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Show times change daily

- **Source Code** (PG-13) ♦ 11:20, 1:50, 4:20, 6:50, 9:20
- **AMC Independent There Be Dragons** (PG-13) 11:10, 2:10, 5:05, 8:05
- **AMC Independent Everything Must Go** (R) 11:20, 1:50, 4:20, 7:05, 9:35
- **Bridesmaids** (R) ♦ 11:00, 2:15, 5:15, 8:30
- **Bridesmaids** (R) ♦ 1:15, 4:15, 7:30, 10:40
- **Rio 3D** (G) 11:35, 2:05
- **Priest 3D** (PG-13) 11:30, 2:00, 4:30, 7:00, 9:30
- **Thor 3D** (PG-13) 11:00, 11:45, 12:30, 2:00, 2:45, 3:30, 5:00, 5:45, 6:30, 8:00, 8:45, 9:30, 10:55
- **Go for It!** (PG-13) 11:15, 1:45, 4:20, 6:45, 9:15
- **AMC Independent Cave of Forgotten Dreams 3D** (G) 11:35, 2:00, 4:25, 6:50, 9:25
- **Priest** (PG-13) 11:30, 3:00, 6:00, 8:30, 11:00
- **Thor** (PG-13) ♦ 1:15, 4:15, 7:15, 10:15
- **Fast Five** (PG-13) 1:10, 4:10, 7:10, 10:10
- **Fast Five** (PG-13) ♦ 11:10, 2:10, 5:10, 8:10
- **Tyler Perry's Madea's Big Happy Family** (PG-13) 11:05, 4:35, 10:05
- **Something Borrowed** (PG-13) 11:55, 2:40, 5:30, 8:15
- **Hanna** (PG-13) 1:55, 7:20
- **Jumping the Broom** (PG-13) ♦ 11:40, 2:40, 5:50, 8:45
- **Water for Elephants** (PG-13) 11:25, 2:20, 5:20, 8:25
- **AMC Independent The Beaver** (PG-13) ♦ 11:50, 2:05, 4:25, 6:55, 9:20
- **The Metropolitan Opera: Il Trovatore Encore** (NR) 6:30 P.M.

SHOWPLACE VILLAGE CROSSING (AMC)

7000 Carpenter Rd., Chicago
(800) 326-3264 #2309

- **Insidious** (PG-13) 1:30, 7:10
- **AMC Independent There Be Dragons** (PG-13) 10:25, 1:20, 4:10, 7:20, 10:10
- **Bridesmaids** (R) 10:00, 1:10, 4:25, 7:30, 10:40
- **Bridesmaids** (R) 11:00, 2:10, 5:25, 8:30
- **Rio 3D** (G) 11:55, 2:30, 4:55, 7:35, 10:05
- **Priest 3D** (PG-13) 12:30, 3:00, 5:30, 8:00, 10:30
- **Thor 3D** (PG-13) 10:40, 12:35, 3:20, 4:20, 6:15, 9:15, 10:15
- **Go for It!** (PG-13) 10:45, 1:15, 4:00, 6:30, 9:05
- **Thor: An IMAX 3D Experience** (PG-13) 11:10, 2:05, 4:50, 7:45, 10:45
- **Priest** (PG-13) 11:30, 2:00, 4:30, 7:00, 9:30
- **Thor** (PG-13) 11:40, 2:35, 5:20, 8:15, 11:00
- **Thor** (PG-13) 1:35, 7:15
- **Fast Five** (PG-13) 10:15, 1:25, 7:40, 10:55
- **Fast Five** (PG-13) 11:15, 2:25, 5:35, 8:40
- **Tyler Perry's Madea's Big Happy Family** (PG-13) 10:35, 4:15, 9:45
- **Something Borrowed** (PG-13) 11:35, 2:20, 5:00, 7:50, 10:20
- **Jumping the Broom** (PG-13) 11:25, 2:20, 5:15, 8:05, 10:50
- **Water for Elephants** (PG-13) 10:30, 1:40, 4:30, 7:25, 10:35
- **AMC Independent The Beaver** (PG-13) 11:45, 2:15, 4:40, 7:05, 9:35
- **Prom** (PG) 4:35 P.M.

WEBSTER PLACE 11 (REGAL)

1471 W. Webster Ave., Chicago
(800) 326-3264 #1641

- **Pirates of the Caribbean: On Stranger Tides** (PG-13) Advance Tickets Available
- **The Hangover Part II** (R) Advance Tickets Available
- **Kung Fu Panda 2** (PG) Advance Tickets Available
- **Thor 3D** (PG-13) 1:50, 3:40, 4:40, 6:20, 7:20, 9:10, 10:10
- **Priest 3D** (PG-13) 5:40, 7:50, 10:00
- **Bridesmaids** (R) 1:20, 4:20, 7:10, 10:20
- **Fast Five** (PG-13) 1:30, 4:30, 7:40, 10:30
- **Priest** (PG-13) 3:20
- **Forks Over Knives** (PG) 2:30, 5:00, 7:30, 10:05
- **Jumping the Broom** (PG-13) 1:40
- **Thor** (PG-13) 1:10, 3:10, 4:10, 6:00, 7:00, 8:50, 9:40
- **Something Borrowed** (PG-13) 1:15, 4:00, 6:50, 9:30
- **Water for Elephants** (PG-13) 1:00, 3:45, 6:45, 9:45
- **The Metropolitan Opera: Il Trovatore Encore** (NR) 6:30

SHOWPLACE GALEWOOD 14 (AMC)

E. Side of Central Ave., just S. of Grand Ave., Chicago
(800) 326-3264 #1646

- **Bridesmaids** (R) 1:30, 4:30, 7:30, 10:30
- **Priest 3D** (PG-13) 1:00, 3:15, 5:35, 8:00, 10:25
- **Thor 3D** (PG-13) 1:55, 4:50, 7:45, 10:30
- **Go for It!** (PG-13) 2:10, 4:35, 7:00, 9:35
- **Priest** (PG-13) 12:20, 2:30, 4:55, 7:25, 9:40
- **Thor** (PG-13) 12:55, 3:35, 6:15, 9:05
- **Rio** (G) 12:40, 3:05, 5:30, 7:50, 10:20
- **Fast Five** (PG-13) 12:00, 1:35, 2:20, 3:00, 4:25, 5:15, 6:00, 7:35, 8:15, 9:00, 10:35
- **Tyler Perry's Madea's Big Happy Family** (PG-13) 1:50, 4:45, 7:20, 9:50
- **Something Borrowed** (PG-13) 1:45, 4:20, 7:05, 9:30
- **Jumping the Broom** (PG-13) 1:15, 3:55, 6:35, 9:10
- **Jumping the Broom** (PG-13) 2:15, 5:00, 7:40, 10:15

SHOWPLACE CICERO 14 (AMC)

4779 W. Cermak, Cicero
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- **Priest** (PG-13) 12:40, 3:00, 5:30, 8:00, 10:30
- **Bridesmaids** (R) 1:45, 4:45, 7:30, 10:15
- **Priest 3D** (PG-13) 1:30, 4:00, 6:30, 9:00
- **Go for It!** (PG-13) 12:45, 3:05, 5:25, 7:55, 10:25
- **Thor** (PG-13) 12:30, 3:15, 6:15, 9:15
- **Something Borrowed** (PG-13) 1:35, 3:55, 6:35, 9:05
- **Jumping the Broom** (PG-13) 1:25, 2:25, 4:05, 5:05, 6:45, 7:45, 9:20, 10:20
- **Thor 3D** (PG-13) 1:15, 2:15, 4:15, 5:15, 7:15, 8:15, 10:15
- **Fast Five** (PG-13) 5:10, 8:10
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- **Tyler Perry's Madea's Big Happy Family** (PG-13) 1:20, 3:50, 6:20, 8:50
- **Rio** (G) 1:55, 4:25, 6:50, 9:20

SHOWPLACE ICON AT ROOSEVELT COLLECTION

Clark & Roosevelt, South Loop, Chicago
(312) 564-2104

- **The Metropolitan Opera: Il Trovatore Encore** (NR) ♦ 6:30 P.M.
- **Priest 3D** (PG-13) ♦ 12:30, 2:30, 3:20, 4:45, 6:10, 7:10, 8:30, 9:30, 10:50
- **Bridesmaids** (R) ♦ 12:15, 1:10, 3:10, 4:00, 6:00, 7:00, 9:00, 10:00
- **Cave of Forgotten Dreams 3D** (G) ♦ 1:40, 4:10, 6:40, 9:15
- **Thor 3D** (PG-13) ♦ 1:00, 1:30, 2:10, 3:45, 4:30, 5:00, 6:30, 7:30, 8:00, 9:10, 10:30, 11:00
- **The Beaver** (PG-13) ♦ 2:00, 4:20
- **Jumping the Broom** (PG-13) ♦ 1:15, 1:50, 4:15, 4:50, 7:20, 7:50, 10:20, 10:45
- **Something Borrowed** (PG-13) ♦ 1:20, 3:50, 6:50, 9:20
- **Fast Five** (PG-13) 2:20, 5:10, 8:10, 11:10
- **Tyler Perry's Madea's Big Happy Family** (PG-13) 12:40, 3:40, 6:20, 8:50
- **Water for Elephants** (PG-13) 1:45, 4:40, 7:40, 10:40
- **Rio 3D** (G) 12:50, 3:30, 6:15, 8:45

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- **Bridesmaids** (R) ♦ **VIP Premium 21+** 12:15, 3:10, 6:00, 9:00
- **Jumping the Broom** (PG-13) ♦ **VIP Premium 21+** 1:15, 4:15, 7:20, 10:20

OAK PARK LAKE CINEMAS (CLASSIC)

1022 Lake Street, Oak Park
(630) 444-FILM #560

- **Thor** (PG-13) ♦ 1:30, 4:00, 6:30, 9:00
- **Fast Five** (PG-13) 1:15, 4:10, 7:10, 9:55
- **Something Borrowed** (PG-13) ♦ 12:00, 2:25, 4:50, 7:15, 9:40
- **Water for Elephants** (PG-13) 12:30, 3:10, 5:50, 8:30
- **Bridesmaids** (R) ♦ 1:40, 4:20, 7:00, 9:40
- **Rio 3D** (G) 12:00, 2:15, 4:30, 6:45, 9:00
- **Thor 3D** (PG-13) ♦ 12:00, 2:30, 5:00, 7:30, 10:00

EVANSTON CENTURY 12/CINEARTS 6 (CENTURY)

1715 Maple Ave., Evanston
(847) 492-0123

- **Bridesmaids** (R) ♦ 11:55, 1:10, 2:45, 4:05, 5:30, 7:00, 8:20, 9:55
- **Everything Must Go** (R) 12:00, 2:35, 5:00, 7:25, 9:50
- **Forks Over Knives** (PG) 11:50, 2:15
- **Go for It!** (PG-13) ♦ 2:50, 5:20, 7:50, 10:20
- **Hesher** (R) 11:30, 2:10, 4:40, 7:10, 9:40
- **Priest** (PG-13) ♦ 11:25 A.M.
- **Priest 3D** (PG-13) 1:40, 3:55, 6:10, 8:25, 10:40
- **Rio** (G) ♦ 11:20, 1:50, 4:20, 6:50, 9:20
- **The Metropolitan Opera: Il Trovatore Encore** (NR) ♦ 6:30 P.M.
- **Cave of Forgotten Dreams 3D** (G) 12:10, 2:25, 4:50, 7:15, 9:40
- **Fast Five** (PG-13) ♦ 11:10, 2:15, 5:10, 8:10
- **Incendies** (R) 1:35,

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ALBUMS

'Destroyed' Moby

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- 1 Skating rink's shape
- 5 Meat shunner
- 10 Thin cut
- 14 _ one's time; wait patiently
- 15 Steer clear of
- 16 Nat King _
- 17 "When the frost _ the punkin..."
- 18 Debatable, as by employers and employees
- 20 "My Gal _"
- 21 Bowling targets
- 22 In a bad mood
- 23 Official order
- 25 Whopper
- 26 Add new shoe bottoms
- 28 Collapse, as a business
- 31 Do very well
- 32 Tooth filling
- 34 Just purchased
- 36 Gorillas
- 37 Short
- 38 German wife
- 39 TV's _ Rickles
- 40 Shade of gray
- 41 Bleacher levels
- 42 NY's _ Island
- 44 Pester
- 45 Furious
- 46 Disinterested
- 47 Group of eight
- 50 " _ and Circumstance"
- 51 _ Wednesday; Lent opener
- 54 Colorless fake gem
- 57 Follow orders
- 58 Hot's opposite
- 59 Artist's stand
- 60 Part of an envelope
- 61 Fills with wonderment
- 62 Nervous
- 63 Big celebration

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- 1 Kimono sashes
- 2 Passport stamp
- 3 Teenager

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- 4 Goodman of "Dancing with the Stars"
- 5 Italian city of canals
- 6 Happening
- 7 Chokes
- 8 Turmoil
- 9 Hair bonnet
- 10 Frightened
- 11 Gray wolf
- 12 Misfortunes
- 13 Golf ball pegs
- 19 In a very cold way
- 21 Aspirin or Advil
- 24 Fawn bearers
- 25 Be lazy
- 26 Peruse
- 27 Former team from Montreal
- 28 Escape
- 29 Illegible
- 30 Boscs and Bartletts
- 32 OPEC member
- 33 Tiny insect
- 35 Wimp
- 37 Lost vital fluid
- 38 Blaze
- 40 Ohio or Oregon
- 41 Protective sheet of plastic
- 43 Improves; fixes
- 44 Not beautiful
- 46 Skeleton parts
- 47 Killer whale
- 48 Sturdy dog with a dense coat
- 49 Flooring piece
- 50 Pillar
- 52 Chair or pew
- 53 Extravagant publicity
- 55 Caribbean _
- 56 Light brown
- 57 Take _; depart

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On August 27, join Chicago Cubs owner Todd Ricketts and SRAM executive Vice President F.K. Day for the 2nd annual 100-mile ride from historic Wrigley Field to Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

10-WEEK PROGRAM PROVIDES

- CompuTrainer indoor cycling workouts
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- Team riding jersey
- Event t-shirt
- Water bottle
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- Return transportation for you and your bike back to Chicago

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WILD ON: Cannes

There's nothing like a French film fest to get celebs to turn up the heat

By Ariel Alexovich | REDEYE

The best thing about the Cannes Film Festival, running through Sunday on the sun-soaked French Riviera, isn't just that it occurs on the French Riviera (most convenient for yachting, darling). What's great is that the glamorous festival presents a host of opportunities for costume changes. A-list celebrity fashionistas have a whirlwind of parties, premieres and news conferences to attend, each requiring a fantastic new outfit. Here's how four of our favorite celebs played the red carpet, from mild to wild. ARIEL@TRIBUNE.COM | @MISSARIEL, GETTY IMAGES PHOTOS

ANGELINA JOLIE



WILD
Getting slitty at Brad Pitt's "Tree of Life" premiere

MILD
Office-chic, promoting her "Kung-Fu Panda 2"



RACHEL MCADAMS



WILD
Red vines look delicious at the premiere of her "Midnight in Paris"

MILD
Pretty in pants at a screening of "Sleeping Beauty"



PENELOPE CRUZ



WILD
Arrgh, this dress is frilly at the "Pirates" premiere

MILD
She wore blue velvet at a news conference for "Pirates of the Caribbean: On Stranger Tides"



ZOE SALDANA



WILD
Taking cues from the Cat-in-the-Hat at the "Tree of Life" premiere

MILD
Fancy dress code at a "Tree of Life" party



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Beyoncé performs at
Oprah's event Tuesday.
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O, YEAH!

Oprah Winfrey runs the world, and on Tuesday, she ran Chicago. In a tuxedo leotard, Beyoncé performed "Run the World (Girls)" to thank Oprah for empowering females around the world. She wasn't alone Tuesday at the United Center. Madonna, Tom Cruise, Tom Hanks, Halle Berry, Katie Holmes, Queen Latifah, Dakota Fanning, Rascal Flatts and Diane Sawyer were on hand to salute Oprah in the taping of her farewell gala to cap her 25th season. In the audience of about 13,000 were Jonathan Toews, Gayle King, Jessica Seinfeld and the Daleys. "I feel the love and I thank you for it," Oprah said.

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on Oprah's farewell gala.



Nick Cannon
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"Of course we got to keep our celebrity weirdness up!"

—Nick Cannon, on an episode of "The Gayle King Show" set to air Friday, about why he and wife Mariah Carey named their children Moroccan and Monroe, according to usmagazine.com



The Situation

Daddy issues

Stop the fist-pumping. Mike "The Situation" Sorrentino has filed a lawsuit in Miami against his father, Frank Sorrentino, according to ew.com. The "Jersey Shore" star is asking the court to force his father to stop using his "name or likeness" on the elder Sorrentino's website.

Vote for Pedro—one more time!

Gosh! Fox released a trailer this week for the animated adaptation of "Napoleon Dynamite." The show features the voices of the entire movie cast—and, of course, an animated llama. The only problem? The show is scheduled to premiere midseason, which means we have to wait until 2012 to see it. Idiots!

On the list?

The Bears are invited to the wedding. All of them. Heidi Montag and Spencer Pratt are out. So are Lauren Conrad, Brody Jenner, Lo Bosworth and Whitney Port. That's what Kristin Cavallari said about her wedding next year to Bears quarterback Jay Cutler on Thursday on Ryan Seacrest's radio show, according to usmagazine.com. This sounds like the makings of another reality show.

HOT DATE

MAY 25

That's when Victoria's Secret Angel and Skokie native Erin Heatherton will make an appearance at the Mag Mile Victoria's Secret store from 3-5 p.m. She will throw out the first pitch at Wrigley Field later that night.